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STATEMENT OF INTERVIEW SUBSTANCE **UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.133(b)**

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To the Commissioner:

This document is a Statement of Interview Substance for the telephonic interview conducted on February 3, 2009, with Examiner Joshua Taylor, Supervisory Patent Examiner Vivek Srivastava, and Attorney May Lin DeHaan.

Claims 1, 2 and 8-16 were discussed. Cited art that was discussed included Ellis US 2004/0117831, Robarts US 2005/0278741, Wilder US 2003/0051246, and Olah US 2003/0005072.

The Applicant's representative and the Examiners discussed the claim amendments presented in the response filed by the Applicant on January 26, 2009. The Supervisory Patent Examiner indicated that the cited art does not appear to teach "cascading filters," but the amendment would U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/806,830

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require further search and consideration and feels optimistic that the claims would be allowable on filing a Request for Continued Examination.

Thus, the Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is believed to be patentable over the cited references to date.

Respectfully submitted,

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